

Public Utilities Commission

Agenda

Wednesday, September 4, 2013

9:30 AM start time

Utilities represented: Energy Facilities, Electricity, Natural Gas

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DELIBERATION ITEMS

No Items

DECISION ITEMS

****1 PL9/CN-13-153**

Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership

Allowed additional info. in needs summary; accepted application as substantially complete as of 8/16/13; referred to OAH for contested case proceeding

In the Matter of the Application of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership for a Certificate of Need for the Line 67 (Alberta Clipper) Station Upgrade Project – Phase 2 in Marshall, Clearwater, Itasca Counties, Kittson, Red Lake, Cass, and St. Louis Counties Minnesota.

Should the Commission accept the application as complete?
(PUC: [Briefing Papers](#) - Kaluzniak)

***2 E002/CN-11-826**

Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy; Great River Energy

Granted certificate of need

In the Matter of the Application of Xcel Energy and Great River Energy for a Route Permit for the SWTC Chaska Area 115 KV Transmission Line Rebuild Project in Carver and Scott Counties.

Should the Commission find that the Environmental Report on this project is complete and addresses the Scoping Decision of the Department of Commerce? Should the Commission grant a Certificate of Need for the proposed 115 kV transmission line project? (PUC: [Briefing Papers](#) - DeBleekere)

**3 E002/TL-12-401 Northern States Power Issued route permit
Company d/b/a Xcel Energy;
Great River Energy**

In the Matter of the Application of Xcel Energy and Great River Energy for a Route Permit for the SWTC Chaska Area 115 KV Transmission Line Rebuild Project in Carver and Scott Counties.

Should the Commission find that the Environmental Assessment issued for this project adequately addresses the Department of Commerce issued Scoping Decision? Should the Commission issue a Route Permit for the SWTC Chaska HVTL Project?

(PUC: [Briefing Papers](#) / [HVTL Route Permit](#) / [Modified ALJ Report](#) / [Staff Proposed Findings of Fact](#) / [Route Permit Maps](#) - DeBleeckere)

****4 E002/RP-10-825; Northern States Power Required changed
E002/CN-12-1240; Company d/b/a Xcel Energy circumstance filings; granted
E002/M-13-603; petition to intervene in 13-603
E002/M-13-716 and 13-716**

In the Matter of Xcel Energy's 2010-2025 Integrated Resource Plan.

In the Matter of the Petition of Xcel Energy for Approval of the Acquisition of 600 MW of Wind Generation and the Petition of Xcel Energy for Approval of the Acquisition of 150 MW of Wind Generation;

In the Matter of the Petition of Xcel Energy for Approval of the Competitive Resource Acquisition Proposal and Certificate of Need.

Does the Commission find that the 750 MW of wind acquisition proposed by Xcel in 13-603 and 13-716 constitute a changed circumstance under Minn. Rule 7843.0500, subpart 5 (IRP Changed Circumstances)?

Should the Commission require that Xcel file a Notice of Changed Circumstances, pursuant to Minn. Rule 7843, Subpart 5?

Should the Commission consolidate any or all of these dockets?

Should the Commission vary Minn. Rule 7829.1400 and consider the contested case hearing request in Docket 13-603 and 13-716?

Should the Commission take any other action?

(PUC: [Briefing Papers](#) - Stalpes, DeBleeckere)

5 E017/M-13-607 Otter Tail Power Company Granted variance

Otter Tail Power Company's Request for a Variance to the Billing Error Rules.

(PUC: Fournier; DOC: [Comments](#) - La Plante)

***6 G008/M-10-1162 CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas Approved demand-entitlement changes**

In the Matter of CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp.'s, d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas (CenterPoint Energy) Request for Approval of Changes to Contract Demand Entitlement Units.

Should the Commission approve CenterPoint Energy's proposed change in demand and associated cost recovery effective November 1, 2010? (PUC: [Briefing Papers](#) - **Bender, Harding**)

***7 G008/M-11-1078 CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp. (CenterPoint Energy, CPE, or the Company) Approved demand-entitlement changes**

In the Matter of CenterPoint Energy's Request for Changes in Demand Entitlements.

Should the Commission approve CenterPoint Energy's proposed level of demand entitlements and allow CenterPoint Energy to recover the associated demand costs effective November 1, 2011?

Should the Commission request CenterPoint Energy to file future annual demand entitlement filings by July 1 with the understanding that items will require adjustment through supplemental filings? (PUC: [Briefing Papers](#) - **Bender, Harding**)

***8 G008/M-12-864 CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas Approved demand-entitlement change**

Request by CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a/ CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas for Approval of a Change in Demand Units Effective November 1, 2012.

(PUC: Bender; DOC: [Comments](#) / [Attachments](#) / [Response Comments](#) - St. Pierre)

NOTE: Staff agrees with the Department's recommendations in its December 7, 2012 Response Comments.

***9 E015/M-12-1359; E015/M-95-1441 Minnesota Power Accepted petition as modified**

In the Matter of a Petition by Minnesota Power for a Modification to its Service Extension Tariff;

In the Matter of a Request by Minnesota Power for a Modification to its Service Extension Tariff.

Should the Commission accept MP's Petition, filed in Docket No. E-015/M-12-1359, as being sufficient in meeting the compliance requirements ordered by the Commission in Docket No. E-015/M-95-1441? (PUC: [Briefing Papers](#) - **Brill, Harding**)

****10 ET6125/RP-13-562 Basin Electric Power Cooperative**

Acknowledged report's receipt, found report complete, and closed docket

In the Matter of Basin Electric Power Cooperative's Optional Integrated Resource Plan Compliance.

- 1) What action, if any, should the Commission take on Basin's filing?
(PUC: [Briefing Papers](#) - Rebholz)

****11 ET3/RP-13-565 Dairyland Power Cooperative**

Acknowledged report's receipt, found report complete, and closed docket

In the Matter of Dairyland Power Cooperative's Optional Integrated Resource Plan Compliance.

- 1) What action should the Commission take on the Information Requests submitted by the Environmental Intervenors?
- 2) What action, if any, should the Commission take on Dairyland's filing?
(PUC: [Briefing Papers](#) - Rebholz)

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